



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 6891

January Session, 2015



AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESS TO BIRTH RECORDS BY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 7-51 of the
2 general statutes, as amended by section 1 of public act 14-133, is
3 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
4 *1, 2015*):

5 (a) (1) The department and registrars of vital statistics shall restrict
6 access to and issuance of a certified copy of birth and fetal death
7 records and certificates less than one hundred years old, to the
8 following eligible parties: (A) The person whose birth is recorded, if
9 such person is (i) over eighteen years of age, (ii) a certified homeless
10 youth, as defined in section 7-36, or (iii) a minor emancipated pursuant
11 to sections 46b-150 to 46b-150e, inclusive; (B) such person's child,
12 grandchild, spouse, parent, guardian or grandparent; (C) the chief
13 executive officer of the municipality where the birth or fetal death
14 occurred, or the chief executive officer's authorized agent; (D) the local
15 director of health for the town or city where the birth or fetal death
16 occurred or where the mother was a resident at the time of the birth or
17 fetal death, or the director's authorized agent; (E) attorneys-at-law
18 representing such person or such person's parent, guardian, child or
19 surviving spouse; (F) a conservator of the person appointed for such

20 person; (G) a member of a genealogical society incorporated or
 21 authorized by the Secretary of the State to do business or conduct
 22 affairs in this state; (H) an agent of a state or federal agency as
 23 approved by the department; [and] (I) a researcher approved by the
 24 department pursuant to section 19a-25; and (J) the superintendent of
 25 schools for the school district in which the mother was a resident at the
 26 time of the birth, or the superintendent's authorized agent, exclusively
 27 for the purpose of allowing such superintendent or authorized agent
 28 access to the birth record of a child, who is not yet eligible to enroll in
 29 kindergarten pursuant to section 10-15c, so that the superintendent or
 30 authorized agent may provide kindergarten-readiness information and
 31 information concerning the school district's prekindergarten programs
 32 to the parent or parents of such child.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	July 1, 2015	7-51(a)(1)
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PH Joint Favorable Subst.

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